## Water -l Email List Server

The purpose of the Water-l is to promote communication among people working to improve watershed management and water quality in Indiana. Watershed coordinators, agency personnel, extension educators, SWCD staff and supervisors, citizens and others are invited to participate.

The list is intended to be an opportunity to post questions; to showcase successes in watersheds in Indiana; list conferences, training sessions and speakers on water issues; share information on new water regulations; list funding and grant information as well as other topics related to water quality and watershed management.

To subscribe: Email <u>water-l-request@purdue.edu</u> (in the message type subscribe; no subject is needed)

To post a message or question to the entire list: Email water-1@purdue.edu

To reply to the entire list: Email <u>water-l@purdue.edu</u>.

To reply to an individual: simply click "reply" (check the address line to make sure you email the correct person(s).

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If you have questions or comments please contact the list manager: Jane Frankenberger, Extension Water Quality Coordinator at Purdue University. Her e-mail is <a href="mailto:frankenb@purdue.edu">frankenb@purdue.edu</a> or <a href="mailto:water-l-owner@purdue.edu">water-l-owner@purdue.edu</a>.

"We might not be able to establish definite proof of cause and effect, and we can't know what the precise results of climate change will be, but if we wait until everything is known, we will have lost our opportunity to act. Given such high stakes, we must begin now.

This reality- the need to act before all the facts are in- holds true for almost anything we attempt, and without a willingness to move ahead while constantly reassessing our actions based on new data, we are paralyzed".

Kaspersen, J.- Editors Comments. Erosion Control. Jan/Feb. 2002 Vol.9 Number 1

The above statement was made regarding global warming and climate change, but is also true in watershed assessment and planning. We cannot wait for "all the facts" to make decisions. To do so puts us in the data loop of endlessly collecting more information because we never have "all the facts". The "facts" will be constantly changing, we must act on the information we have at hand, then be willing to reassess our actions when new or better information becomes available.